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In re Application of:

MARK B. WHIPPLE ET AL.

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Examiner:

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is being filed prior to the ending of the response period 5 October 2006 of the Final Office Action mailed on 5 July 2006. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is submitted herewith. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks prior to examining the subject Application.

Date of Deposit: 10/2/06 I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail with sufficient postage under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a) on the date indicated above and is addressed to Mail Stop: RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. By James Tames T. State Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.